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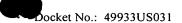
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Dear Sir:

Petitioner, 3M Innovative Properties Company, a corporation of the State of Delaware having a place of business at 3M Center, St. Paul, Minnesota, represents that it is the exclusive owner of the entire interest in the above-identified Application by virtue of an Assignment recorded at Reel 010705, Frame 0068, on March 8, 2000 and Assignments dated September 13, 1993 and January 19, 1994 (copies enclosed). Petitioner further represents that it is the exclusive owner of the entire interest in U.S. Patent No. 6,129,540, by virtue of an Assignment recorded at Reel 6717, Frame 0166, on September 13, 1993 and an Assignment dated August 23, 2001 (copy enclosed).

Petitioner disclaims the terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified Application which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term as defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 to 156 and 173 of the above-identified patent, not shortened by terminal disclaimer. Petitioner hereby agrees that any patent granted on the above-identified Application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to such patent and U.S. Patent No. 6,129,540 are commonly owned. This agreement is to run with any patent granted on the above-identified Application and to be binding upon the grantee, its successor, or assigns.

In making the above disclaimer, Petitioner does not disclaim any terminal part of any patent_granted_on_the_above-identified Application prior to the expiration date of the full



statutory term, not shortened by terminal disclaimer, of U.S. Patent No. 6,129,540, if it: (1) expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee; (2) is held unenforceable or is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction; (3) is statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally disclaimed under 37 C.F.R. 1.321; (4) has all claims canceled by a reexamination certificate; (5) is reissued; or (6) is otherwise terminated prior to the expiration of its full statutory term as presently shortened by terminal disclaimer if any.

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